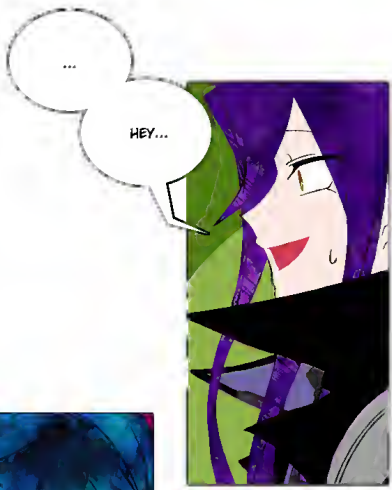
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HEY...

YEA?

IS IT REALLY OKAY TO AGREE SO QUICKLY...?
?

WAS I SUPPOSED TO SAY NO?
NO... JUST...

"WHY DO I HAVE TO THROW MY LIFE AWAY TO FIGHT?!"
OR
"WHY DO I HAVE TO DO IT?"
"ARE YOU PAYING ME?"
I THOUGHT YOU'D BE MORE HESITANT LIKE THAT...
HAHA,
I COULD'VE SAID THAT.
?

I HAVE
NOTHING TO LOSE.

...
I SEE.

IS IT OK IF WE LEAVE TOMORROW?
YES.
I HAVE TO CONSIDER YOUR POSITION,
AND SCOUT PEOPLE.

Tap.
ANYWAY,
GO TO THE FIRST FLOOR AND WAIT.

LET'S HAVE DINNER TOGETHER.

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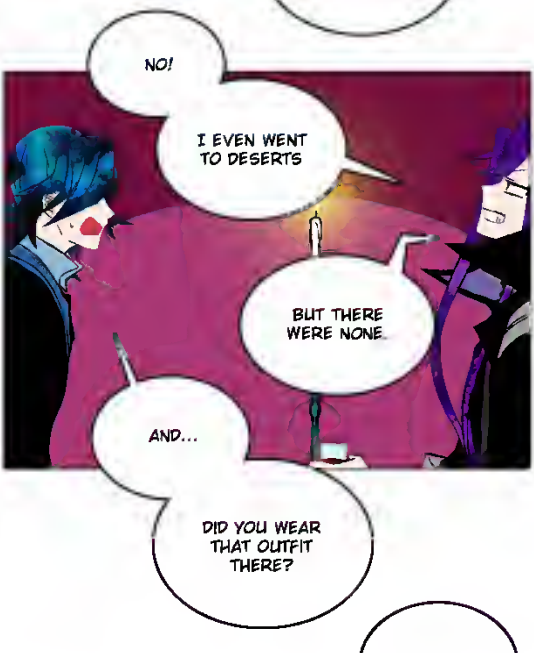
...
HMM...
I GUESS THE DISHES FOR CUSTOMERS ARE BETTER
THAN THE ONES YOU EAT YOURSELF.
...
NOT REALLY...
I JUST DON'T HAVE ANY MOTIVATION TO COOK.
SORRY.
I'M STILL THANKFUL.
AM I RIGHT TO BELIEVE THE UNDEAD CAN LIVE WITHOUT EATING?
I DON'T HAVE TO EAT
BUT IF I CAN, WHY WOULDN'T I?
AH...
DO WHAT YOU WANT...
SORRY FOR DINING FOR FREE.
DING-
DING...
IT'S FINE. I THROW OUT THE FOOD THAT'S GOING TO ROT EITHER WAY.
TELL ME IF YOU WANT MORE.
DO YOU GIVE IT TO GUESTS WHO VISIT?
IT'S A WASTE.
BUT I HAVE NO OTHER CHOICE.
HMM.

BY THE WAY,
ARE YOU... A WIZARD?
!

YOU'RE CORRECT.
PAZAP.
I'M A WIZARD.

A SPECIALIZED TYPE OF WIZARD...
IT WOULD BE NICE IF YOU WERE AN UNDEAD OR A DEVIL
BUT THEN YOU COULDN'T USE SILVER.
FUMEL?

I SHOULD STOP.
I NEED TO THINK ABOUT YOUR HEALTH.
!
I'M FINE WITH IT.
SFX: SQUEEZE
MY LUNGS ARE ALREADY BLACK FROM WORKING IN THIS STORE.
끼기.
THEN I'LL TRY TO CONTROL MYSELF FROM NOW ON.
IT CAN STILL AFFECT YOUR BODY.
I'M THANKFUL... BUT IS THIS OK WITH YOU?
WHAT?
ARE YOU ASKING IF I CAN STOP COMPLETELY?
YES.



I was about to throw it out

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THE UNDERWORLD SUCKS.
SO IT'S ONLY NORMAL TO BUILD UP POWER SO WE DON'T LOSE.
...
IT'S NATURAL TO WANT TO SUPPORT OTHERS WITH OUR STRENGTH.
IS THAT SO WRONG.
...
THAT'S A GOOD THING.
IF YOU HAVE TOO MUCH POWER, IT CAN GET TO YOUR HEAD.
IT'S BETTER NOT HAVING TOO MUCH POWER.
THAT WAY THE STRONGEST WON'T COME AFTER US.

IF I'M NOT STRONG ENOUGH,

THEN THE UNDERWORLD IS FINISHED, ISN'T IT?

IF YOU AREN'T?

THEN WE WOULD ALL BE DOOMED.

DOOMED...

I DON'T GET IT. IS IT BECAUSE

I'M NOT 300 YEARS OLD?

HUH...

YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE.

THE UNDERWORLD ISN'T THAT WEAK.

WE'RE STRONGER THAN YOU THINK.

YOU'RE RIGHT.

OTHERWISE WE COULD OVERCOME A CRISIS TWICE THIS.

HA! HAHAHA

HA! HA! HA!

...

WELL I MAKE IT?

OF COURSE.

...!
BY THE WAY...
WE DON'T EVEN KNOW EACH OTHER'S NAMES.
?
I'M OSCAR.
OSCAR CREPE.
AND YOU ARE?
DUKEWORD.
DUKEWORD ELDERBERRY.
CALL ME DUKE.

NIFLHEIM

Chapter I

Rotten Dilemma